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SUBJECT: US-UGANDA: MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT AMIN TO
PRESIDENT FORD

1. FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE HAS PROVIDED EMBASSY
WITH FOLLOWING TEXT OF LETTER FROM UGANDAN PRESIDENT
AMIN ALLEGING PRESENCE OF US AND BRITISH WARSHIPS IN
INDIAN OCEAN. ORIGINAL SENT TO SOMALI PRESIDENT BARRE
IN BARRE'S CAPACITY AS CURRENT CHAIRMAN OF THE OAU.
COPIES SENT TO BREZHNEV, CHOU-EN-LAI, OAU SECRETARY GEN-
ERAL, FOUR FOREIGN MINISTERS, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE
ARAB LEAGUE, PRESIDENT FORD, PRIME MINISTER WILSON, KING
FAISAL, PRESIDENT KENYATTA AND COLONEL QUADHAFL.

2. BEGIN QUOTE: I HAVE RECEIVED TRUE AND CORRECT INFOR-
MATION THAT AMERICAN DESTROYERS AND AIRCRAFT CARRIERS
ARE NOW IN EAST AFRICA IN THE INDIAN OCEAN NEAR THE PORT
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OF EAST AFRICA (SIC) STOP THIS IS A MOST DISTURBING AND

WORRYING SITUATION FOR US IN EAST AFRICA AND AFRICA IN
GENERAL STOP THE REASON WHY THESE DESTROYERS AND AIRCRAFT
CARRIERS ARE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN IS NOT KNOWN TO US STOP
THERE IS NO FIGHTING IN ANY STATE IN EAST AFRICA AND
THERE IS COMPLETE PEACE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN STOP THE
BRITISH HAVE ALSO BEEN SENDING DESTROYERS AND AIRCRAFT
CARRIERS IN THE INDIAN OCEAN STOP NOW THE AMERICANS ARE
CARRYING OUT A SIMILAR EXERCISE STOP I BELIEVE IT IS THE
INTENTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE BRI-
TISH TO PROTECT SOUTH AFRICA MILITARILY OR IT MAY EVEN
BE POSSIBLE THAT THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IS PLANNING
TO INVADE SAUDI ARABIA AND OTHER ARAB OIL PRODUCING
COUNTRIES STOP THE PRESENCE OF AMERICAN DESTROYERS AND
AIRCRAFT CARRIERS IN THE INDIAN OCEAN MUST BE TAKEN
SERIOUSLY BY ALL OAU MEMBERS AND THE ARAB LEAGUE STOP
I AM THEREFORE COPYING THIS TELEGRAM TO THE SECRETARY
GENERAL OF THE OAU SO THAT HE MAY BRING THIS MATTER TO
THE ATTENTION OF THE FOREIGN MINISTERS CURRENTLY MEETING
IN ADDIS FOR THEIR IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION STOP AFRICA
AND THE ARAB COUNTRIES AND ALL PEACE LOVING COUNTRIES
MUST BE ALERT AND REMAIN UNITED IN DEALING WITH THIS
SERIOUS SITUATION WHICH THREATENS THE PEACE INTEGRITY
AND ECONOMY OF OUR STATES STOP. END QUOTE.

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